

## WHITE ROSE '95

### Conewago Valley Model RR Club To Be Div. Meet Host

The next Division 11 Meet will be on Saturday, April 8, 1995, from 10am to 4pm at the Conewago Valley Model Railroad Club in New Oxford, PA. You may know them by their annual auction conducted in the New Oxford fire hall every Thanksgiving Eve. They are located right along US Route 30 in New Oxford just 2 blocks west of the square in the baggage car along side of the old Western Maryland station and across the street from Paul's Model Railroad Shop. The club will be open along with the museum in the station. Of course the hobby shop will also be open.

The meet will include the election of officers and, in the afternoon after the division meeting, there will be a convention meeting to update everyone on White

### Division Meet Report

by Joe Krepps

The Fall Division Meet was held at the Miniature Club of York, Saturday, November 19, 1994. Turnout was modest compared with other meets, however, if you missed it, you missed some of the most knowledgeable clinicians and model contests to date.

First up was Ivan Frantz who is a long-time Pennsy fan and on the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania RR Technical and Historical Society. His clinic was on superdetailing Bowser steam engines

Rose '95. Those members that are volunteering their help to the convention should attend this meeting.

Favorite model and train contests will be held. A TV and VCR will be available so bring along with your favorite train videos. The morning clinic will be a guided tour of the museum, its many lanterns, artifacts, and pieces of railroadiana.

The museum and club railroads will be running and if you have any HO engines that you would like to see operate on the club layout, bring them along too. You can watch while the members will run them.

Light refreshments will be available at the club. Parking is no problem and there is plenty to see and learn.

The cost of registration will be \$3.00 and of course \$1.00 for current members. Bring along a friend and we will see you April 8th in New Oxford, PA.

to be as reasonably accurate as possible. He made a handout which included parts lists and official P.R.R. practices regarding when and where engines are to be painted. Following the Meet, color cards (a limited edition) produced by the PRRT & HS were available for purchase at a. Look for a clinic by Ivan at White Rose '95 about the York, Hanover & Frederick Railway, later known as the Frederick Secondary, now known (at least what little is left) as part of the Ma & Pa Railroad.

Our second clinician, John Becker, presented a clinic on Intermodal modeling. John is coeditor of a magazine specializing in Intermodal modeling. He keeps  
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### Coming Events

April 8, 1995: Division 11 Meet, Conewago Valley Model Railroad Club, Lincoln Way West, at the tracks, New Oxford, PA. 10am to 4pm.

April 28, 29 & 30, 1995: National Model Trolley Meet, Hosted by East Penn Traction Club, South Jersey Expo Center, Pennsauken, NJ. Fri. 11am to 11pm, Sat. 9am to 10pm.

May 18, 19, 20 & 21, 1995: White Rose '95, MER Spring Convention, Holiday Inn Holidayhome, 2000 Loucks Road, York, PA.

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# WHITE ROSE '95

This is the issue for the full menu of events at White Rose '95. Contests, Clinics, Tours, Auction, Train Meet, Company Store, Recreation, Home Layouts, and Special Interest Groups. As with any large event it takes many volunteers to make it work. Lets get together and make this the convention that the MER will talk about for years to come.

## THE CLINICS

**Allen McClelland, MMR**, the father of the "beyond the basement" concept of operation will present "The Virginian & Ohio's Past, Present and Future."

**Bill Gruber, MMR**, will describe the operation on his well publicized Reading Railroad.

**Tony Koester**, author of MR's "Trains of Thought," will talk about "Exploring the Allegheny Midland."

**Andy Sperandio**, editor of Model Railroader, will present a slide show featuring model railroads that have appeared in MR

in "My Favorite Operating Layouts."

Included are John Allen's "Gorre & Daphetid" and David Barrow's "Cat Mountain & Santa Fe."

**Paul Dolkos**, will present "Layouts Without Space" for those of us with little room.

**Monroe Stewart, MMR**, will show us how to scratch build in N Scale.

**Doug Gurin**, of the Layout Design SIG, will present "Keeping Appointments with Convoys," 1944 PRR along New York harbor layout with lots of switching.

**Paul Rayner**, of Rayner Design Ltd, will show us how to build things square and straight in "E=MC<sup>2</sup>" (excellence = the right materials and craftsmanship squared).

**Gerry Cornwell**, of Toronto, Canada, a professional lighting designer, will show us how to light a layout.

**Alex Austin** will present "Getting 'Em Out of the Box," a clinic on getting

dream projects started.

**Ivan Frantz** will describe the railroads of York from 1930 to present.

**Ma & Pa Historical Society** will do 2 clinics, one on modeling and one on the prototype Ma & Pa.

**Dennis Masters** will tell us about the C & O Canal, its construction and operation.

**Mark Czerwinski** will do a 'hands on' clinic for scratch building the best turnouts you've ever seen.

**Dennis McCoy**, known for his On3 EBT modules, will do a presentation on the East Broad Top Railroad.

**Tom Sullivan** will share with us the techniques of the narrow gauge railroads for handling and hauling timber.

**Andrew Dodge** will show how to model a specific prototype including setting and research.

**Tim McCartney** will present a clinic on the rolling stock of the West Side Lumber

## Super's Corner

by Joe Krepps

Well...When I am writing this it hasn't snowed very much, yet. Have any of you started those "snowy day" projects? Has the Spring bug bit already? Your White Rose '95 committee has been feverishly putting together one of M.E.R.'s greatest conventions and that's not a bunch of cheerleading. Is everything going 'OK'?

## York Meet

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himself current with prototype trends and the latest models. John had a lot of ideas on out-of-the-box models as well as kit-bashing to get just the right look. John gave a longer version of his clinic at FunVention! '94 in Hagerstown.

During the business meeting, Clerk/Paymaster Paul Tice told members of a \$1000 check from last year's NMRA

We're a little short on home layouts and volunteers. The Division really needs your help. The old saying, "Many hands make the work load light", couldn't be more true. You can accumulate Achievement Program points toward Association Volunteer with just a little effort and I do hope everyone in our Division is coming anyway. We also have need of some special volunteers. Elections will be held at the April Division Meet in New

Valley Forge Express convention. This check was given in recognition of those Division members who donated their time to the convention. We all owe a big "Thank You!" to those members. This was a big boost to our Division and much needed "seed" money for convention cars for White Rose '95. Also, we heard reports from various committee heads of White Rose '95 including; P.R., Don Yingling; Outside Activities, Bill Strickler; and Inside Activities, Joe Krepps.

Oxford. It has come to my attention that, according M.E.R. rules, officers are elected to a 2 year term. Since the rebirth of the Division, we have held elections every year. Also, the new Officers have taken over immediately. We should take a month, after elections, to arrange a transition between old & new officers. The Division should be in excellent financial shape after our convention. It will be a great time to be part of the Division!

Winners of the Popular Vote contest: Favorite Train, Russ Wilcox; Favorite Model, Tony Segro. Congratulations guys, they were excellent models! By the way, did you know the Susquehanna Division took all 3 places in Favorite Train at FunVention! '94? Just proves what I've said all along, we have the potential to be the most talented Division in the whole MER So, what are YOU bringing to New Oxford in April? to York in May?

Company of California.

**Frank Pearsall** will present "Chicken Tray Rockwork and Other Model Railroad Stuff from the Grocery Store".

**Dick Kilday**, of the Smithsonian Institution, will show us how to make very realistic conifers and other trees.

**Ron Balle's** clinic is "Engine Facilities-Inspiration from the Prototype."

**Bill Hammer**, MMR, will give 2 clinics. The first is "Modifying Figures" with a slide show tour of his home layout. The second will be "Estate Planning."

**Tom Lowry** will share with us how to do brick structures from plaster molds.

**Earl Martin** will tell us how to free-lance a model railroad and make it believable.

**Bob Charles**, NMRA President, will review the NMRA and its future.

**Greg Gray**, of St. Louis, MO, will do a clinic of the best "Backdrops" you can create.

**Dave Bucher** will present 2 clinics. One on "Operation Lifesaver and Railfan Safety" and the other on the East Broad Top Railroad as a common carrier.

**Fred Voelker** will present "Private Roadname Modeling" with how-tos right down to the timetables.

**Deans Mellander**, MMR, will show us how to use a camcorder to 'film' your layout.

Last but by far not the least: "Forum on Operation" featuring a panel discussion including **Tony Koester**, **Bill Gruber**, **Allen McClelland** and others. Your chance to find out more about operation on a model railroad.

## THE TOURS

**Speeder Trip:** A Friday morning trip of about 20 miles. You leave Glen Rock and stop at Hanover Junction, famous for the Abe Lincoln photograph, then to Smyser's Station. Lunch break at the store there. Then on through Howard Tunnel and across Twin Arches bridge. The trip will end at David's Mill. Buses of course bring you to the rail site and pick you up. Photo run-bys will be done so bring

cameras and lots of film. Appropriate footwear is highly recommended, no sneakers.

**Middletown & Hummelstown Railroad:** Saturday morning will find you on your way to Middletown, PA, for an eleven mile, 1 1/4 hour trip along the scenic Swatara Creek. The M & H is roadbed is on the towpath of the Union Canal. Motive power consists of two GE 44 ton diesels or if the crew can get repairs done in time, steam.

**PP&L's Brunner Island:** On Friday morning you can also tour this coal fired generating facility. The bulk of the tour will be at the rotary coal dump. It can dump seven cars per hour of 100 ton capacities. The two switchers used are 100 tonners and are remote controlled.

**Play Steam Engineer:** Sounds like a funny title but at the Friday night auction you have a chance to bid on one or more of the 14 half hour time slots to operate a Pennsy 0-4-0 slope back tender switcher. This will be a tour on your own. No transportation is provided. There is room in the cab for your photographer, rider, friend, or whoever you want to ride along. So have a friend bid also and you can take pictures of them while they operate and then they can return the favor for you.

**Walking Tour of Historic York:** This Saturday morning tour will show you the points of interest and history in downtown York. The Gate House, Plough Tavern, and the Colonial Courthouse and among the main features of the tour culminating in lunch, on your own, at the Central Market House. Oh the delicious smells in there. You could put on a few pounds just thinking about it.

**Indian Steps Museum and Naylor Winery:** Friday will give you an opportunity to view some of the early history of the area at the museum. If you are an early American history buff, this is a must trip. Then you will go to the Naylor Winery for a tour of the vineyards and cellars. Then a little wine tasting party. Sounds good to me. Bottoms up!

## THE TRAIN MEET AND AUCTION

In Friday and Saturday you will have a

chance to browse the 65 tables of railroad items in the Ballroom of the Roses at the convention hotel. It starts Friday at noon to 9 pm and again on Saturday from 9 am to 3 pm. Friday night at 7 pm there is an auction of model and probably prototype railroad items. It will run until all items have been presented. If you have some RR items you want to get rid of and look for other items, then this is where its at. These events will be open to the public at a fee of \$3.00 per day or \$5.00 for both days. Tables for the train meet are available through Dennis Masters, 15 Harvard Road, Hagerstown, MD 21742. Phone number 301-739-3624. Tables are \$12.00 each per day or \$20.00 each for 2 days.

## THE CONTESTS

**Model Contest:** The MER holds the model contest at every MER convention. The categories are: Steam, Diesel and other locos, Passenger cars, Freight cars, Caboose, Non-revenue cars, Structures, Displays, Traction, and Modules. This contest is judged by the NMRA rules and you must be an NMRA and MER member to receive awards. Merit awards are also presented to those models scoring 87 1/2 points or higher. A new category is being added at York: **The Craftsman Award.** It is for those that are not MMR's or have not won first place in any model category. All the models entered in this contest may be dioramas, engines, cars, structures, etc. All compete for one first place prize. The winner will be presented the "Craftsman Award" wall plaque along with their first place certificate. These models can also earn merit awards depending on score.

**The Photo and Craft Contests:** The photo contest is judged by popular vote. The categories are: Model B&W, Model Color, Prototype B&W and Prototype Color. An 11"x 14" overall size limit is enforced. The craft contest is divided in to two categories: Rail Related and Non-Rail Related. They can be any kind of craft from paintings to latchhook to knitting, etc. This contest is also decided by popular vote.

**The Ma & Pa Contest:** This is for models associated with the Ma & Pa Railroad. They can be structures, rolling

stock, etc. There will be a special form provided and the entries can be placed in the regular model contest as well. A special first place plaque will be awarded. Arrangements are being made for a Ma & Pa RR official to help with the judging and to make the presentation.

**The Trustee's Award:** This is a once a year slide contest. The winner will receive the Trustee's Award plaque and the slide will appear in the NMRA 1996 Calendar. The slide must be an original transparency of a model subject. The photographer must be an MER member and the subject model(s) must be in the MER boundaries. The slide must not have been published or have been a previous winner.

#### OTHER IN-HOUSE EVENTS

**The Golf Tournament:** On Thursday evening we will have the "Last Annual Bob Charles Mini-Golf Tournament" on the 9 hole indoor miniature golf course at the hotel. Greens fee will be \$1.00 and the tee off time will be 7:30 pm. The course is located right next to the indoor pool so we do have a water hazard. The winner will receive a specially selected door prize.

**Card Party:** A round robin game of 500 will be played by teams of two. This will

be on Friday evening in the hospitality room. So bring along your spouse and have some fun.

**Party Time:** On Thursday evening you are invited to a "Welcome to York" party. Complimentary soft drinks and light snacks will be available along with a cash bar. So come early and get acquainted with everyone.

**The Awards Banquet:** The banquet will be Saturday night following a happy hour. The main course is either Chicken Chesapeake, boneless chicken covered with crab imperial, or Prime Rib. The food at this Holiday Inn Holidome is excellent, top-notch. The presentation of awards will take place immediately after the banquet. The drawing for door prizes will take place immediately after that.

#### THE HOTEL

The Holiday Inn Holidome has 11,000 square feet of meeting/exhibition space and we are using all of it for White Rose '95. The facilities include an indoor/outdoor swimming pool, whirlpool, sauna, fitness center, miniature golf course, and table top games. The restaurant, Harrigans, is a 4 1/2 star-rated restaurant, one of the best places around for superb food. The West Manchester Mall is a three minute walk from the

hotel with almost anything you could be looking for. A short drive from the hotel along Rt 30 will give you additional choices of food from fast food to fine dining. This is the area known locally as the "Hungry Mile."

#### GETTING TO THE HOTEL

**From the east:** take I-76 west (PA Turnpike) to exit 18, I-83 south to exit 10, US Rt. 30 west to PA Rt. 74 north. Watch for sign on right.

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**From the south:** Take I-83 north to exit 9W, follow US Rt. 30 west to PA Rt. 74 north. Watch for sign on right.

#### REGISTRATION

The registration forms for the convention and for the hotel are included in this issue. Register early as the hotel's 181 rooms can fill up fast and some of the tours and trips have a very limited number of openings.

See you here in York in May.

## Membership Application for the Susquehanna Division 11 of the Mid-Eastern Region of the National Model Railroad Association, Inc.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Division 11 Dues are \$2.00 per year.

Dues include the quarterly newsletter.

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Make checks payable to Susquehanna Division 11

Mail checks and form to: Susquehanna Division 11, c/o Paul F. Tice, 1709 W. Market St., York, PA 17404

# White Rose '95 Registration Form

May 18-21, York, PA.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ St \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ NMRA/MER# if member: \_\_\_\_\_

## NON-N.M.R.A./M.E.R. MEMBERS WELCOME AT NO EXTRA CHARGE

	No. Attending	Total Amount		No. Attending	Total Amount
Before Mar.15, 1995 @ \$29.00	_____	_____	Banquet @ \$25	_____	_____
			Chicken Chesapeake	_____	_____
After Mar. 15, 1995 @ \$34.00	_____	_____	Prime Rib	_____	_____
Spouse @ \$10.00	_____	_____	PP&L Industrial Tour @ \$12.00	_____	_____
Children 6-16 @ \$5.00	_____	_____	Motor Car Trip @ \$24.75	_____	_____
1 Day Registration @ \$15.00	_____	_____	M & H Railfan Trip @ \$19.50	_____	_____
			York Center City Tour @ \$9.50	_____	_____
			Indian Steps/Naylor Winery @ \$9.50	_____	_____
			Total Amount Due: \$	_____	_____

Mail this form with your check payable to:  
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45 WEST LOCUST LANE  
YORK, PA. 17402

## HOLIDAY INN HOLIDOME REGISTRATION FORM FOR "WHITE ROSE '95"

NAME OF GUEST \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_  
STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ SPECIAL REQUESTS: \_\_\_\_\_  
ARRIVAL DATE \_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTURE DATE \_\_\_\_\_ NO. OF ROOMS \_\_\_\_\_ NO. OF PEOPLE \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK ROOM TYPE:  1 OR 2 PERSONS @ \$59.95  
 3 OR 4 PERSONS @ \$66.00

Reservation must be received by: April 20, 1995 to guarantee availability of rooms. The cancellation date for your individually reserved sleeping rooms is May 11, 1995.

Regular check-in time is not guaranteed until 3:00 P.M. Check-out time is 2:00P.M. Sunday.

ADVANCED DEPOSIT REQUIRED: An advanced deposit of \$63.54 per room is due no later than April 19, 1995 to guarantee the rooms; **payable by check, money order, or by credit card.** The 6% state sales tax is included. If guarantee is by credit card, please check which card you are using, and then fill out credit card number below:

MAIL RESERVATIONS TO:  
HOLIDAY INN HOLIDOME  
2000 LOUCKS RD.  
YORK, PA. 17404  
ATTN: RESERVATIONS  
(717) 846-9500

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